GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

A B S T R A C T

Agriculture & Cooperation Department – Disciplinary Matters - Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam – Allegations of Countersigning the false and fabricated Annual Property Returns (APRs.) in the Disproportionate Assets Case of Sri. P.Sanjeeva Rao in Cr.No.01/RC-ACB-VSP/2010 – Disciplinary action initiated under Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Imposed the penalty of "Withholding of 25% of Pension for a period of 3 years" under A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Revision Petition admitted – Setting aside of penalty imposed - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.182 **Dated: 07/04/2025**

Read the following:

1. G.O.Rt.No.739, A & C (Vig.I) Dept., dt.19.11.2021.
2. Revision Petition dt.13.04.2024 of Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam.
3. Govt.Memo.No.AGC01-AGRI/107/2024-VIG-I, A & C (Vig.I) Dept., dt.03.05.2024.
4. From the Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, Rc.No.Vig.II(5) 33/2010, dt.15.10.2024.

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O R D E R :

In the reference 1st read above, Government have imposed the penalty of "Withholding of 25% of Pension for a period of 3 years" against Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam, for the Charge held proved for his misconduct in as much as by countersigning the false and fabricated Annual Property Returns of the Accused Officer Sri. P. Sanjeeva Rao in Cr.No.01/RC-ACB-VSP/2010 by tampering the officer records, in collusion with the Accused Officer, as if they were filed in time and to facilitate him to get out of the Disproportionate Assets case.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam, has submitted Revision Petition along with the documental proofs to the effect that he has worked in O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley from 28.07.2008 to 01.06.2017 and also to the effect that he has not tampered the APRs submitted by the Accused Officer Sri P.Sanjeeva Rao, AEO for the year 2001 and appealed the Government to review the case and the Charges framed against him and drop the said orders on mercy grounds.

3. In the reference 4th read above, the Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur while furnishing related documents, he has requested further orders in the matter.

4. The Government after careful examination of the matter with the material papers made available, it is observed that, the individual put his initials only on the xerox copies, but not tampered or fabricated any records; Since the content of the APR is "Nil", it is immaterial whether it is written under column No.5 or 6 (Annexure-I) or under Column No.4 or 5 (Annexure-II); thus it is found that the individual has no malafide intention. Therefore, the Appeal Petition submitted by Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam is hereby admitted and hence, it is decided to set aside the penalty of "Withholding of 25% of Pension for a period of (3) years", imposed against him.

(P.T.O.)

5. Accordingly, the Government, hereby set aside the penalty of "Withholding of 25% Pension for a period of (3) years", imposed in the reference 1st read above, in respect of Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam, under Rule 40 (1) (iv) (a) of A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, duly exonerating him from the Charge framed.

6. The Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur shall take further action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. RAJSEKHAR
EX-OFFICIO SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:
Sri N.Satya Gopala Krishna, the then Senior Assistant, O/o Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Visakhapatnam District and subsequently retired as Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Director of Agriculture, Visakhapatnam. (through the Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.)
The Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:
The Prl. Accountant General, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The District Treasury Officer, Visakhapatnam.
The District Agriculture Officer, Visakhapatnam
The Asst. Director of Agriculture (SC), RVP, Arakuvalley, Erstwhile Visakhapatnam District
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commissioner, A.P.V.C., 5thBlock, 1st Floor, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, A.P.
Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER